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Attention: Intelligence Division

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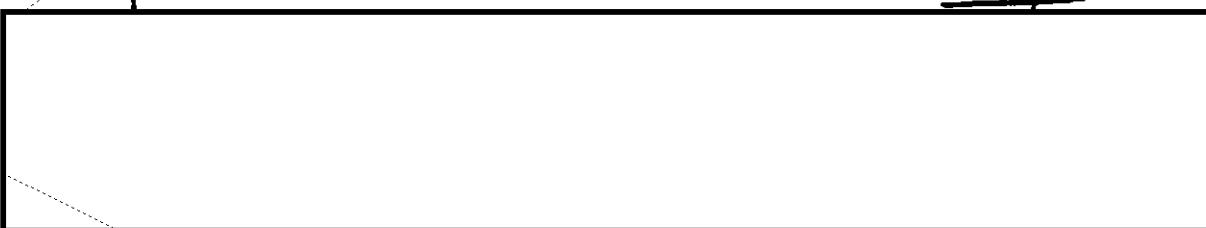
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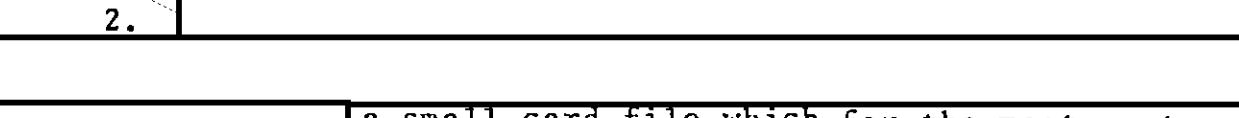
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SUBJECT: ~~Card Files on U.S. Officials~~
~~Maintained by People's Revolutionary Army~~

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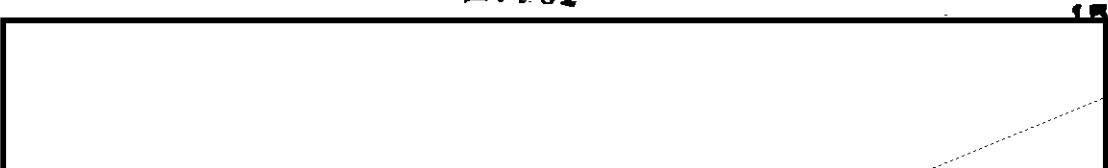


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a small card file which for the most part
contained the names and biographic information of Argentine
government, military, and security officials but also included
the following information on individuals presumed by the ERA
to be U.S. officials in Argentina:

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- a. Possible American intelligence agent

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Owns or at least arrives in a Citroen
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- b.

[REDACTED]

- c. Naval

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- d. Army

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[redacted] a set of approximately 80 cards, each of which contained biographic information on Argentine government and military officials. [redacted] no names of foreign diplomats were found on the ERP cards.

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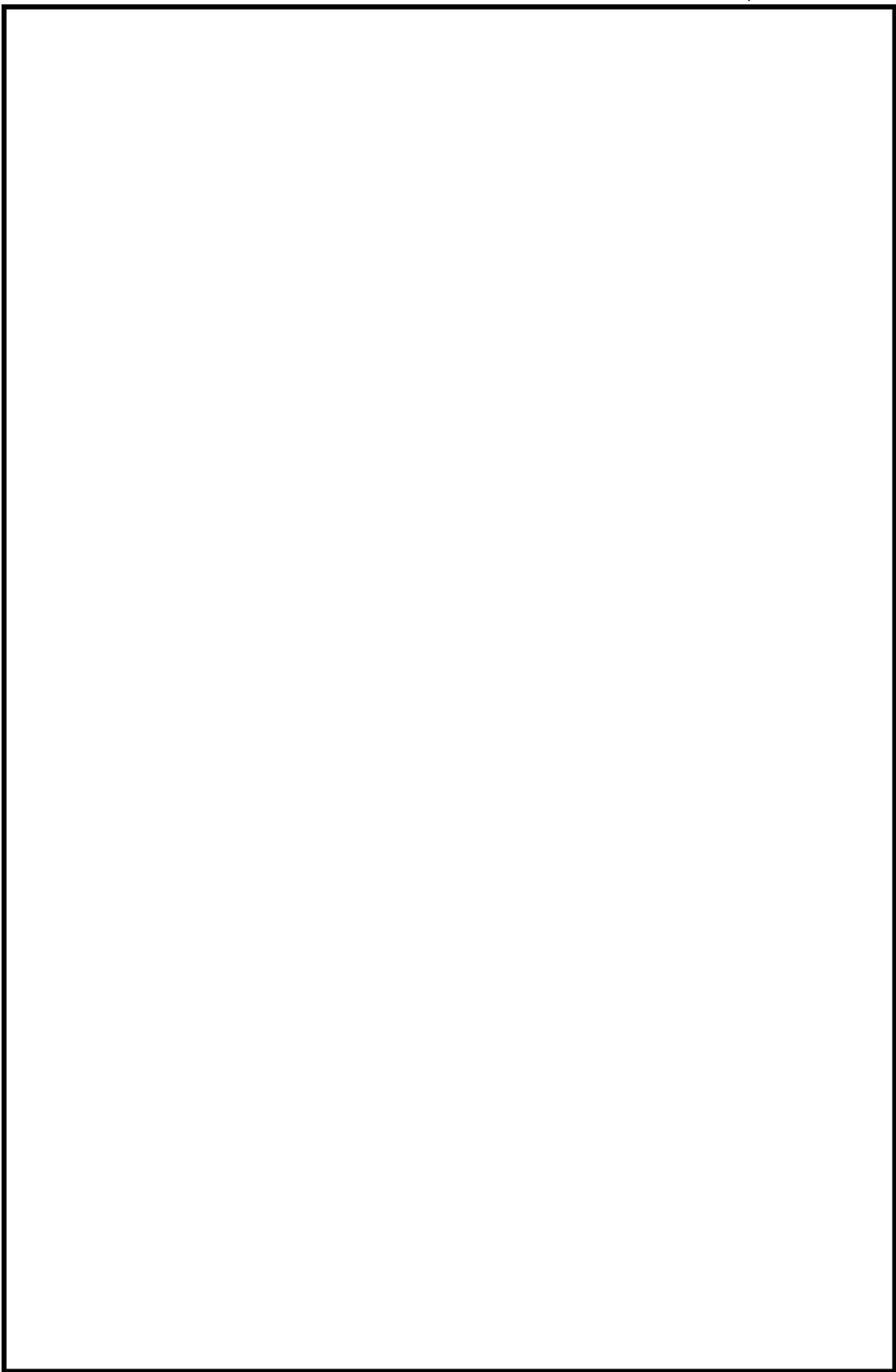
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MEMBER ON THE

MILITARY AND POLITICAL CAPABILITIES OF [REDACTED];

RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE MONTONEROS AND THE ERP

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SUMMARY

[REDACTED] THE MONTONEROS CLAIMED THAT THE RDCENT INCREASE

IN TERRORISM [REDACTED] IS DESIGNED TO ACHIEVE TWO

BASIC OBJECTIVES: 1) TO MAINTAIN AND IMPROVE THE MILITARY

CAPABILITIES OF THE MONTONEROS FOR THE INEVITABLE, ALBEIT FUTURE,

ARMED STRUGGLE FOR POLITICAL POWER IN ARGENTINA; AND 2) APR 8 1975

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RESPOND IN KIND TO COUNTERTERROR OPERATIONS BY THE GOVERNMENT
AGAINST THE MONTONEROS. [REDACTED] EO25x1 TERRORIST ACTIONS WOULD
BE TAKEN AGAINST U.S. EMBASSY PERSONNEL IN BUENOS AIRES AND MEMBERS
OF THE GOVERNMENT'S "REPRESSIVE APPARATUS" AS APPROPRIATE TO
ACCOMPLISH THESE OBJECTIVES. [REDACTED] EO25x1 THE PEOPLE'S
REVOLUTIONARY ARMY (ERP) HAD PREVIOUSLY AGREED TO JOIN WITH THE
MONTONEROS IN THE LATTER ACTIVITIES, BUT THAT THE ERP IS NOW
ALMOST EXCLUSIVELY CONCENTRATING ON GUERRILLA OPERATIONS IN
TUCUMAN PROVINCE. [REDACTED] EO25x1 THE
GOVERNMENT'S SUPPORT IS ERODING, WHILE THAT OF THE MONTONEROS
IS INCREASING SUBSTANTIALLY. [REDACTED] EO25x1 ORGANIZATION
IS SPONSORING THE AUTHENTIC PARTY IN THE MISIONES PROVINCIAL
ELECTIONS AND [REDACTED] EO25x1 THE OBJECTIVE IN THE ELECTIONS IS TO
REDUCE THE GOVERNMENT'S VICTORY MARGIN TO AN EMBARRASSING LEVEL.
END SUMMARY.

1. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DURING THE PAST FOUR MONTHS. [REDACTED]

THE

EO25x1 LONG-RANGE OBJECTIVE(S) TO DEVELOP THE MILITARY CAPABILITY

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OF THE ORGANIZATION FOR THE INEVITABLE, ALBEIT FUTURE, ARMED
STRUGGLE WHICH WOULD PRECEED THE ACQUISITION OF POLITICAL
POWER IN THE COUNTRY BY THE REVOLUTIONARIES. [REDACTED] THE
MONTONERO LEADERSHIP IS NOT WORKING UNDER THE ILLUSION THAT
THE ORGANIZATION NOW HAS THE CAPABILITY TO PRECIPITATE CIVIL
WAR IN ARGENTINA OR EVEN TO RAISE THE LEVEL OF TERRORISM TO
A POLITICALLY INTOLERABLE DEGREE, BUT [REDACTED] THAT THE
MILITARY CAPABILITY OF THE MONTONEROS MUST NOT ONLY BE MAINTAINED
BUT INCREASED, IF THE ORGANIZATION IS TO BE PREPARED FOR THE
TIME WHEN CONDITIONS FOR ARMED STRUGGLE ARE PROPITIOUS.

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2. WITHIN THIS FRAMEWORK [REDACTED] EO25x1

THE RECENT TERRORIST ATTACKS BY THE MONTONEROS AGAINST POLICE
UNITS AND PERSONNEL WERE PRIMARILY MOTIVATED BY THE NEED TO
MAINTAIN A MILITARY CAPABILITY, RATHER THAN BASED ON PURELY
REVENGE MOTIVES, HOWEVER, SINCE THE POLICE HAVE BEEN
RESPONSIBLE FOR MUCH OF THE EXTRALEGAL COUNTERTERROR ACTION
AGAINST THE MONTONEROS, THE ATTACKS AGAINST THE POLICE ALSO
INVOLVED THE RETALIATION ASPECT. [REDACTED] THE

MONTONEROS ARE NO LONGER WILLING TO PERMIT THE MASSACRE OF
THEIR MEMBERSHIP BY RIGHT-WING COUNTERTERROR UNITS WITHOUT AN

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APPROPRIATE RESPONSE AGAINST THOSE RESPONSIBLE.

THE RECENT DECISION BY THE GOVERNMENT TO RELEASE A CAPTURED LEADER OF THE ARMED LIBERATION FORCES/CHE GUEVARA (FAL/CHE) IN EXCHANGE FOR A JUDGE WHO HAD BEEN ABDUCTED A "FUNDAMENTAL WEAKNESS" WHICH THE MONTONEROS PLAN TO EXPLOIT IN THE FUTURE.

THE MONTONEROS WOULD CARRY OUT AN ABDUCTION FOR PRISONER EXCHANGE WHEN A MEDIUM OR HIGH-LEVEL MEMBER OF THE MONTONEROS IS CAPTURED. COMMENT: THIS IS A

REFERENCE TO THE ABDUCTION OF JUDGE HUGO ALFREDO BENEDICTO

~~ANZO REGUY~~ ANZO REGUY, WHO WAS RELEASED FROM CAPTIVITY ON 5 MARCH 1975. THE KIDNAPPERS HAD DEMANDED THE RELEASE OF SERGIO SCHNEIDER, A FAL/CHE LEADER, WHO WAS ALLOWED TO LEAVE ARGENTINA FOR PERU TWO DAYS BEFORE THE JUDGE WAS RELEASED.)

3. IN ADDITION TO ACTIONS AGAINST THE POLICE, THE

ORGANIZATION WOULD CONTINUE TO TAKE ABDUCTION/ASSASSINATION OPERATIONS AGAINST U.S. EMBASSY PERSONNEL IN ARGENTINA AS DEEMED APPROPRIATE.

THAT THE ERP HAD PREVIOUSLY AGREED TO CARRY OUT JOINT ACTIONS AGAINST EMBASSY OFFICIALS AND THE FORCES OF EXTRALEGAL REPRESSION, BUT THAT THE ERP IS NOW CONCENTRATING ITS EFFORTS

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TOTALLY ON THE GUERRILLA WARFARE STRUGGLE NOW UNDERWAY IN THE
PROVINCE OF TUCUMAN. [REDACTED] THE MONTONEROS VIEW THIS
ERP POLICY AS SECTARIAN, BELIEVING THAT THE STRUGGLE IN
TUCUMAN, REGARDLESS OF ITS EVENTUAL OUTCOME, WILL NOT HAVE A
SIGNIFICANT BEARING ON GOVERNMENT STABILITY. THUS, WHILE THE
RELATIONS BETWEEN THE MONTONEROS AND THE ERP REMAIN FRIENDLY,
AND WHILE THE MONTONEROS HAVE GIVEN THEIR MORAL AND POLITICAL
SUPPORT TO THE GUERRILLAS IN TUCUMAN, THEY DO NOT BELIEVE THAT
THIS ERP ACTION RESPONDS TO THE REALITIES OF THE ARGENTINE
POLITICAL SCENE AND THEY DO NOT INTEND TO SUPPORT THE VENTURE
IN A MATERIAL WAY, SUCH AS PROVIDING PERSONNEL OR FUNDS FOR
TUCUMAN. IN LINE WITH THE TOTAL COMMITMENT TO TUCUMAN, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] THE ERP IS LIMITING ITS RECRUITMENT
EFFORTS FOR THE MOST PART TO THE ACQUISITION OF NEW CADRES FOR
MILITARY ACTIONS. [REDACTED]

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4. IN RELATION TO POLITICAL DEVELOPMENTS WITHIN THE
MONTONEROS, [REDACTED] ORGANIZATION
EO25x1 HAD [REDACTED] HELD A NATIONAL MEETING, DURING WHICH A COMPLETE
EVALUATION OF MONTONERO POLITICAL ORIENTATION AND PROGRESS WAS

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MADE. THE EVALUATION INDICATED THE THE ORGANIZATION HAD MADE
SUBSTANTIAL PROGRESS IN BOTH LABOR AND PEASANT FIELDS SINCE 6
SEPTEMBER 1974, THE DATE WHEN THE MONTONEROS DECLARED THEIR
INTENTION TO GO UNDERGROUND AND BEGIN A FRONTAL STRUGGLE AGAINST
THE ARGENTINE GOVERNMENT.

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THE EVALUATION CLEARLY INDICATED THE SEVERE MONTONERO LOSSES
IN THE UNIVERSITY OF BUENOS AIRES, BUT OVERALL
SIGNIFICANT GAINS HAD BEEN ACHIEVED. BASED ON
THE INCREASE IN MEMBERSHIP AND INFLUENCE OF THE ORGANIZATION,
A DECISION WAS MADE TO INCREASE THE NATIONAL DIRECTORATE BY
FOUR INDIVIDUALS, I.E., FROM SEVEN TO 11 MEMBERS.

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5. [REDACTED] THE EVALUATION OF INCREASED

MONTONERO POLITICAL STRENGTH, COUPLED WITH THE ANALYSIS THAT
THE GOVERNMENT'S IMAGE IS STEADILY ERODING, HAD LED TO A DECISION
BY THE MONTONEROS TO CREATE AND FINANCE THE AUTHENTIC PERONIST
PARTY (PPA). THE LEADERS OF THE PPA, [REDACTED] ARE PERONISTS
WHO HAVE NOT BEEN POSITIVELY IDENTIFIED AS BEING MEMBERS OF THE
MONTONEROS OR THE REVOLUTIONARY TENDENCY OF THE PERONIST YOUTH
MOVEMENT; THUS, IT IS EXPECTED THAT THE PPA WILL HAVE A WIDER
VOTER APPEAL THAN WOULD OTHERWISE BE THE CASE. [REDACTED] EO25x1

ALL THE MONTONERO POLITICAL FORCES ARE CONCENTRATED IN THE
PROVINCE OF MISIONES IN PREPARATION FOR THE 13 APRIL ELECTIONS
IN THAT PROVINCE. THE OBJECTIVE OF THE MONTONEROS IN MISIONES,

[REDACTED] IS NOT TO WIN THE PROVINCIAL

EO25x1 ELECTIONS, BUT TO ENSURE THAT THE GOVERNMENT FORCES DO POORLY.

[REDACTED] COMMENT: THE PPA WAS REQUIRED BY THE ELECTORAL TRIBUNAL
TO DROP THE NAME PERONIST FROM ITS PARTY LABEL. FOR THIS REASON,
IT IS RUNNING IN THE ELECTIONS AS THE AUTHENTIC PARTY. MOST
OBSERVERS EXPECT THE GOVERNING FREJULI COALITION TO WIN THE
MISIONES ELECTIONS, BUT THE EXTENT OF THE VICTORY MARGIN WILL
BE REGARDED AS AN INDICATION OF GOVERNMENT STRENGTH OR WEAKNESS.)

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DIVISIONS AT THE NATIONAL LEVEL WITHIN THE MONTONEROS, NOR [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ANY CONFLICT BETWEEN THE POLITICAL AND MILITARY WINGS
OF THE ORGANIZATION. [REDACTED] OCCASIONAL FRICTIONS, BUT

[REDACTED] WERE INEVITABLE AND GENERALLY WERE CAUSED BY A
DIFFERENCE IN TACTICAL VIEWPOINTS DURING A CERTAIN PERIOD. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] FROM A STRATEGIC STANDPOINT, THE MONTONERO
LEADERSHIP AND BASES WERE IN FULL ACCORD. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] THERE WERE GOOD
CONTACTS WITH CUBAN OFFICIALS IN ARGENTINA [REDACTED]

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7. [REDACTED] COMMENT: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] BOTH THE POLITICAL

AND MILITARY WINGS OF [REDACTED] MOVEMENT POSSESSED SIGNIFICANT
STRENGTH.) [REDACTED]

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